

**Response To Notice To File Missing Parts Of Application
Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533)(Small Entity)**

Docket No.
650.0002CON

In Re Application Of: **Michael O'Connor**

Serial No.
09/939,780

Filing Date
August 28, 2001

Examiner

Group Art Unit
1631

Invention: **IMMUNOLOGICAL ASSAY FOR SPONGIFORM ENCEPHALOPATHIES**

TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Box Missing Parts

This is a response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533) mailed on
September 19, 2001
Date

Enclosed herewith for filing are the following:

- ☒ A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted (PTO-1533). **(REQUIRED)**
- ☐ An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, including residence information and identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☐ A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☐ An oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 listing the names of all inventors and signed by the omitted inventor(s), identifying this application by the above Application Number and Filing Date.
- ☐ A verified English translation of the non-English language application papers as originally filed. It is requested that this translation be used as the copy for examination purposes in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.
- ☐ _____ verified small entity declaration(s)
 - ☐ is/are attached.
 - ☐ was/were filed on _____
- ☐ A separate request for refund.
- ☒ Other (list):

Response to File Missing Parts
Preliminary Amendment, with Sequence Listing (paper copy)
Substitute Specification (Int. Appl. No.: PCT/IE98/00007)

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Attention: Manager, Application Branch

☒ Completion of application fees as calculated below:

☒ Utility application filing fee **\$370.00**

☐ Design application filing fee

☒ Total number of independent claims = 2

☒ Total number of claims = 8

☒ Multiple dependent claims **\$140.00**

☒ Surcharge for late payment of filing fee and/or late filing of original declaration or oath **\$65.00**

☐ Petition and fee for filing by other than all the inventors or a person not the inventor

☐ Fee for processing an application filed with a non-English language specification

☐ Fee for processing and retention of application

Total completion of application fees **\$575.00**

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a response to the above-identified Notice to File Missing Parts of Application. The requested extension is as follows (check time period desired). If an additional time extension is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

☐ One month ☐ Two months ☐ Three months ☒ Four months ☐ Five months

from: November 19, 2001 until: March 19, 2002
Date Date

Total time extension fees **\$720.00**

Total fees due **\$1,295.00**

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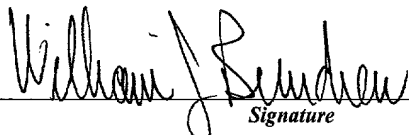
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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Attention: Manager, Application Branch

The fee of **\$1,295.00** is to be paid as follows:

- ☒ A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed.
- ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No.
A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- ☐ If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor and charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No.
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Signature

Dated: **19 March 2002**

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I certify that this document and fee is being deposited on _____ with the U.S. Postal Service as first class mail under 37 C.F.R. 1.8 and is addressed to the Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, D.C. 20231.

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Application of

O'Connor, Michael

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For: Immunological Assay for Spongiform Encephalopathies

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants, through their undersigned attorney, respectfully request a four - month extension of time for responding to the Notice mailed September 19, 2001 in the above-identified patent application. The time for response is thus extended up to and including March 19, 2002.

REMARKS

The amendments set out above and the following remarks are believed responsive to the Notice to file Missing Parts mailed September 19, 2001.

Missing Fees

The attached check includes \$575.00 for the statutory filing fee, multiple dependent claim surcharge, and the late filing fee.

The attached check also includes \$720.00 for the four-month extension of time fee for a small entity.

Substitute Specification

The Notice requested a substitute specification because the original specification

could not be scanned. Please find attached a substitute specification, as requested, submitted under 37 C.F.R. 1.125(a). This substitute specification includes only subject matter from the original specification.

As an alternative, Applicant's attorney suggests that since the present application is a continuation application of 09/147,761 filed March 3, 1999, the Patent Office should have a scanned/properly stored version of the present specification under the parent application serial number.

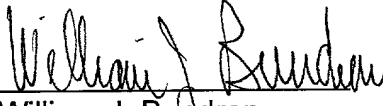
The Notice also indicates that the drawings are unacceptable, but no drawings were filed in either this application or in the parent application. Therefore requiring a statement that the replacement pages contain no new matter is inappropriate.

Sequence Listing

The paper copy of the Sequence Listing in this application (Serial No. 09/939,780) is identical to the computer readable copy of the Sequence Listing filed in application Serial Number 09/147,761, filed March 3, 1999. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e), please use the last-filed computer readable form filed in that application as the computer readable form for the instant application. It is understood that the Patent and Trademark Office will make the necessary change in application number and filing date for the instant application. A paper copy of the Sequence Listing is included is a separately filed preliminary amendment for incorporation into the specification.

Respectfully submitted,

March 19, 2002


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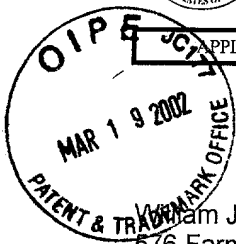
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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Filing Date Granted

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.
Applicant must submit \$ 355 to complete the basic filing fee and/or file a small entity statement claiming such status (37 CFR 1.27).
- Total additional claim fee(s) for this application is \$135.
 - \$135 for multiple dependent claim surcharge.
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$65 for a small entity in compliance with 37 CFR 1.27, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- **The balance due by applicant is \$ 555.**

The application is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below.

The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- A substitute specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52 because:

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use of digital imaging and optical character recognition. Pages 1-24 are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52(a). *The drawings filed are unacceptable because:*

Replacement page(s), together with a statement that the replacement page(s) contain no new matter, are required.

- This application does not contain a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). Applicant must provide such statement. If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000).
- A copy of the "Sequence Listing" in computer readable form has not been submitted as required by 37 C.F.R. 1.821(e). If the effective filing date is on or after September 8, 2000, see the final rulemaking notice published in the Federal Register at 65 FR 54604 (September 8, 2000) and 1238 OG 145 (September 19, 2000). Applicant must provide an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing" and a statement that the content of the sequence listing information recorded in computer readable form is identical to the written (on paper or compact disc) sequence listing and, where applicable, includes no new matter, as required by 37 CFR 1.821(e), 1.821(f), 1.821(g), 1.825(b), or 1.825(d). If applicant desires the sequence listing in the instant application to be identical with that of another application on file in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, such request in accordance with 37 CFR 1.821(e) may be submitted in lieu of a new CRF.

For questions regarding compliance to these requirements, please contact:

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